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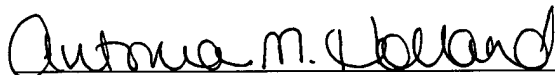
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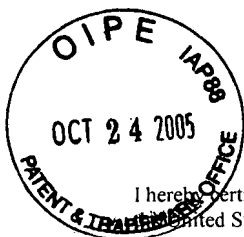
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Dear Sir:

Applicant hereby submits the following statement in compliance with 37 C.F.R. §

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On or about August 1994, assignees of the present application prepared and used commercially five to six long beads of pressure sensitive thermoplastic adhesive approximately 3/16 inch wide dispensed on a release strip similar to that used in the present invention. The beads were separated along their axis by approximately three inch gaps and were cooled prior to the release strips being formed into loose coils for transportation.

Respectfully submitted,

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